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<TEXT>I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is unfair! Why is it that the government is always one sided and unfair when it comes to big business verses average american people? They make much more, they use and waste much more, and they are very greedy. The more money they make the more they want and now big businesses is trying to manipulate the government to shift their big usage and wastefulness onto the average phone using citizen. We cannot afford to pay for what they should and can pay. It is their bill let them pay for it. Most of us struggle just to keep up with paying our own little bills. If our government is truly of all the people, for all of the people, and by all of the people. And not just for big businesses, then be fair in this situation.

I use my wireless phone for safety, security and convenience. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Keep the USF Fair!

Sincerely,

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